

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
FOR PATENT APPLICATIONATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 10971722-1

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence/post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

METHOD FOR 3' END-LABELING RIBONUCLEIC ACIDS

the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked:

() was filed on _____ as US Application Serial No. or PCT International Application Number _____ and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understood the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

Foreign Application(s) and/or Claim of Foreign Priority

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code Section 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor(s) certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor(s) certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

| COUNTRY | APPLICATION NUMBER | DATE FILED | PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 35 U.S.C. 119 |
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| | | | YES: _____ NO: _____ |
| | | | YES: _____ NO: _____ |

Provisional Application

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code Section 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

| APPLICATION SERIAL NUMBER | FILING DATE |
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U. S. Priority Claim

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

| APPLICATION SERIAL NUMBER | FILING DATE | STATUS (patented/pending/abandoned) |
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POWER OF ATTORNEY:

As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) listed below to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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 Inventor's Signature Date

Inventorship Statement

- () Delete the following named individuals as inventors in this application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.53(b) as a result of a change in the claimed subject matter:

Appointment of Associate Attorney

- () Recognize as Associate Attorney or Agent _____
Registration No. _____
() authorization is hereby granted by signature below of the Attorney or Agent of record
() the Associate Attorney or Agent shall not have the authority to appoint other Attorneys or Agents

Communications

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Other Amendments

(X) Before calculating the filing fee, amend the prior application as follows:

- (X) Cancel the following claims 1-16 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes).

- () Enter the enclosed Preliminary Amendment.

Fee Calculation

(X) The filing fee is calculated below for (X) Utility () Design

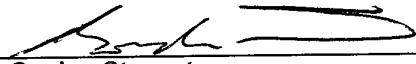
| CLAIMS AS FILED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY | | | | |
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| (1) FOR | (2) NUMBER FILED | (3) NUMBER EXTRA | (4) RATE | (5) TOTALS |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 7 — 20 | 0 | X \$18 | \$ 0 |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | 2 — 3 | 0 | X \$80 | \$ 0 |
| ANY MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS | 0 | | \$270 | \$ 0 |
| BASIC FEE: Design (\$320.00); Utility (\$710.00) | | | | \$ 710 |
| TOTAL FILING FEE | | | | \$ 710 |
| TOTAL CHARGES TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT | | | | \$ 710 |

Charge \$ 710 to Deposit Account 50-1078. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any over payment to Deposit Account 50-1078 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 50-1078 under 37 CFR 1.16, 1.17, 1.19, 1.20 and 1.21. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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